

*Nycterosea obstipata* Fab. may well have bred locally as specimens were taken on September 3rd (1), 7th (1), November 4th (2), 18th (1), and 24th (1). A single *Cosymbia pupillaria* Hübn. came to light on 6th October

A colleague, Lt.-Col. Carfrae found a full-grown larva of *Herse convolvuli* Linn. at Ivybridge school in the vicinity of the foodplant, Bindweed (*Calystegia sepium*) in late September. Further enquiries amongst pupils revealed a further four full-grown larvae and there were reports that more had been seen. To date one moth has been reared successfully, emerging on 10th November 1973.—ALAN KENNARD, 4 Erme Park, Ermington, Ivybridge, Devon. 28.xi.73.

HYLES GALLII ROTT., ORIA MUSCULOSA HUBN. AND RHYACIA SIMULANS HUFNAGEL IN OXFORDSHIRE. — In what appears to have been a record year for migrants, I am pleased to be able to record the capture of two perfect specimens of *Hyles gallii* Rott. on the night of 30th-31st July 1973 in my 80 watt m.v. trap at Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire. On the same evening one specimen of *Oria musculosa* was recorded. These records are the first for both species in that area. *Rhyacia simulans*—another rather local moth—has continued to appear there in constant numbers, the highest number recorded in one evening being eleven. — P. D. J. HUGO, Rothamsted Manor House, Harpenden, Herts., AL5 2BG.

SYNGRAPHA INTERROGATIONIS (L.) IN NORFOLK—After reading the note by Baron de Worms on this species in Norfolk in the April 1973 issue, I turned up my records for this area of Norfolk for 1972. I was camping over a period of three weeks within a few miles of Cley-by-Sea and noted two specimens of *interrogationis* at Salthouse Heath on 28th July and a further specimen on Salthouse Beach on 30th July. At the time I did not think there was anything spectacular about these captures as there was heathland close by. However, I set two of the specimens and see that both correspond exactly to the description given in the April 1973 note. Although I continued to be in the area for the first two weeks of August, no further *interrogationis* were noted. — T. W. HARMAN, 26 Highfield Road, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. 25.xi.1973.

HYLES GALLII ROTT. IN BRITAIN DURING 1973: AN APPEAL In view of the remarkable number of Bedstraw Hawkmoths that have appeared in the British Isles in 1973, it has been considered of special interest to correlate and even map as many records as possible both of the imagines and larvae so as to compare this last season with those of 1888 and 1955, both prolific years for the hawkmoth in Britain. Will anyone who has come across this insect and its larva in the wild, be good enough to send details of date and location of capture to me at the address below, particularly those records which have not been published in the literature. — C. G. M. de WORMS, Three Oaks, Shore's Road, Woking, 18.xi.73.